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Indiana Crop & Weather Report

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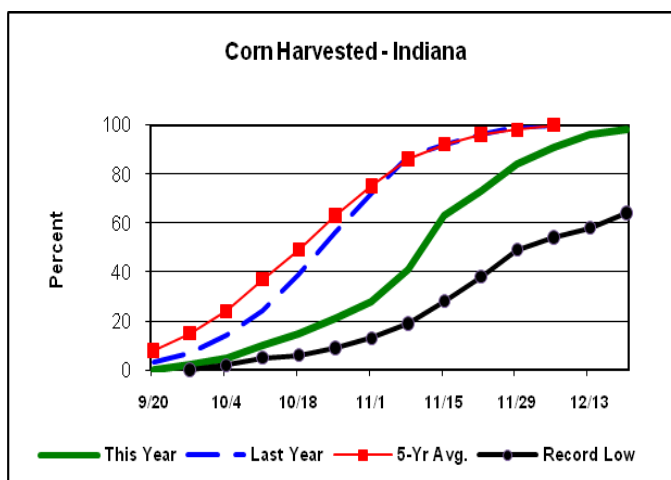
CROP REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 20

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY

Harvest was not possible early in the week due to muddy soils, but temperatures dropped enough by Wednesday to allow harvest to resume, according to the Indiana Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Several elevators and ethanol plants around the state have been docking prices or rejecting loads of corn due to mold levels. Nearly every load of corn taken to market is now being tested for mold. Many farmers are concerned with the quality of stored corn and if they will have trouble marketing this grain later.

FIELD CROPS REPORT

There were **4.0 days suitable for field work** during the week. Ninety-eight percent of the **corn** crop has been **harvested** compared with 100 percent for both last year and the 5-year average. By area, 98 percent of the corn acreage has been harvested in the north, 98 percent in the central region and 99 percent in the south. **Moisture** content of harvested corn is averaging about 20 percent.



CROP PROGRESS TABLE

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Avg.
Percent				
Corn Harvested	98	96	100	100

SOIL MOISTURE & DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK TABLE

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year
Percent			
Topsoil			
Very Short	0	0	NA
Short	1	1	NA
Adequate	65	60	NA
Surplus	34	39	NA
Subsoil			
Very Short	0	0	NA
Short	2	2	NA
Adequate	74	72	NA
Surplus	24	26	NA
Days Suitable	4.0	3.6	NA

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